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## **Service Finds That a Stonefly and a Mayfly Do Not Warrant Federal Protection at This Time**

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announced today the results of a 90-day finding on a petition to list a stonefly (*Isoperla jewetti*) and a mayfly (*Fallceon eatoni*) as threatened or endangered under the Endangered Species Act (Act). Based on information provided in the petition, supporting information submitted with the petition, and information available in Service files, the Service found that the petition does not present substantial information indicating that listing either of the species may be warranted at this time. However, the Service is asking the public to submit any new information that becomes available concerning the status of, or threats to, the stonefly or the mayfly or their habitat at any time.

The Service received a petition on January 6, 2009, to list 475 species under the Act as either endangered or threatened with critical habitat. The Service published an initial 90-day finding for 270 of the 475 petitioned species concluding that the petition did not present substantial information that listing of those species may be warranted. The stonefly and mayfly were included in that finding. That decision was challenged, and pursuant to a stipulated settlement agreement to reassess the petition with respect to the stonefly and mayfly and issue new 90-day findings, the Service has again determined that listing these two species under the Act is not warranted at this time.

This stonefly, *Isoperla jewetti*, has been found in three sites: El Paso County, Texas; Huerfano County, Colorado; and Dona Ana County, New Mexico. This mayfly, *Fallceon eatoni*, has been found in Gila County, Arizona, and Riverside County, California.

The finding is available on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> at Docket No. FWS-R2-ES-2010-0022. Supporting documentation used in preparing this finding is available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Southwest Regional Ecological Services Office, 500 Gold Avenue SW, Albuquerque, NM 87102. Please submit any new information, materials, comments, or questions concerning this finding to the above address.

For further information contact the Assistant Regional Director, Southwest Regional Ecological Services Office; telephone 505/248-6920; facsimile 505/248-6788. If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), please call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 800-877-8339.

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